

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Vernon M. Williams

**Serial No.:** 10/619,963

**Filed:** July 15, 2003

**For:** STEREOLITHOGRAPHIC  
METHODS FOR SECURING  
CONDUCTIVE ELEMENTS TO  
CONTACTS OF SEMICONDUCTOR  
DEVICE COMPONENTS

**Confirmation No.:** 7786

**Examiner:** P. Dang

**Group Art Unit:** 3641

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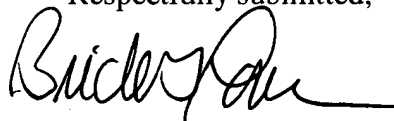
Sir:

Applicant submits herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1,645.00 in payment therefor plus five (5) copies of the patent when issued.

Also, enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312(a) (19 pages), plus attached Replacement Sheet of Drawings (1 sheet) and Annotated Sheet Showing Changes Made (1 sheet); Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages); Check in the amount of \$180.00 for the IDS fee; Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page); copy of cited references (2 documents); Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance (2 pages); and Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages).

Applicant understands that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures: Part B - Issue Fee Transmittal  
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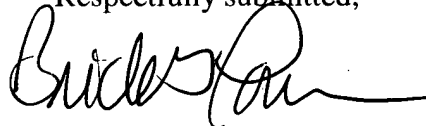
A statement of reasons for allowance accompanied the Notice of Allowability in the above-referenced application. In the statement of reasons for allowance, it was noted that:

Claims 1-16 are allowable over the prior art for at least the reason that the prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, fails to teach or reasonably suggests a

method for bonding a conductive element to a contact of a semiconductor device component, comprising a step of providing a semiconductor device component with at least one contact; and defining at least two layers of at least one conductive element from corresponding layers comprising substantially unconsolidated conductive material. (Emphasis in original).

While the statement of reasons for allowance quotes much of the language recited in allowed independent claim 1, there may be other or additional reasons that independent claim 1, as well as claims 2-16 depending therefrom, are allowable. Therefore, the statement of reasons for allowance should not be read so as to limit the scope of any of the allowed claims of the above-referenced application. Rather, the scope of each of the allowed claims must be determined from the literal language thereof, as a whole, as well as by the possible range of equivalents to the recited subject matter.

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